Memo

To: Board of Selectmen

Tom Gaydos, Town Administrator

From: Don Foss, Highway Agent

CC: File

Date: January 16, 2009

Re: 2009 Highway Department Bids

The following are my recommendations for the Highway Bid Awards:

1. Signs and Related Items:

Atlantic Broom, which is the low bidder on these items. Sign prices have increased \$3.00and \$7.00 per sign.

2. High Density Polyethylene Smooth Wall Culvert Pipe:

JAF Industries which is the low bidder on these items. Prices have increased between .65 Cents to \$1.30 per foot depending on the size of the culvert.

3. <u>Calcium Chloride:</u>

A.H. Harris and Sons at \$540.00 per ton which is an increase of \$54.00 per ton. The low bid on this item was a blend of rock salt and calcium chloride, not calcium chloride.

Plow Blades:

Jordan Equipment Co. for <u>steel blade and bolts</u>. They are not the low bidder however. The low bidder is in Pennsylvania and it would take two weeks to get an order of blades. **Atlantic Broom** is the low bidder for <u>carbide blades</u>. Regular Steel blade prices have increased between \$19.34 and \$26.64 per blade depending on length. Carbide blades have increased \$9.00 per foot.

5. Hot Top:

P.J. Keating Co. At \$66.00 per ton which is the low bid. This is an increase of \$18.00 per ton over 2008 prices.

6. Cold Patch:

P.J. Keating Co. at \$85.00 per ton for regular patch and \$99.00 per ton for high performance cold patch which are the low bids. Regular patch increased \$27.00 per ton and the high performance patch increased \$17.00 per ton.

7. Sand:

Brox Industries, Inc. picked up at the plant at \$8.00 per ton which is a .25 cent per ton increase over last year. This is not the low bid however the low bid would require us to truck the sand from Pembroke. **Brox Industries** at \$11.00 per ton delivered.

8. 2" Crushed Stone:

P.J. Keating Co. is the low bidder on this item at \$10.50 per ton which an increase of \$1.75 per ton in 2008.

9. 1 ½ " Crushed Stone:

Brox Industries, Inc. at \$8.50 per ton which is the same price as in 2008.

10. 3/4 " Crushed Stone:

Brox Industries, Inc. at \$8.50 per ton picked up at the plant which is the low bid. This is the same price as last year.

11. 6" Erosion Stone:

Brox Industries, Inc. at \$10.00 per ton picked up at the plant which is the low bid and it is a .50 cent per ton increase over last year.

12. Stone Dust:

P.J. Keating, Co. at \$9.00 per ton picked up at the plant which is the low bid. This is a \$1.75 per ton increase.

13. Bank Run Gravel:

F.L. Merrill Construction is the only bidder on this item at \$12.60 per ton delivered.

14. Clean Fill:

Brox Industries, Inc. at \$3.75 per ton which is not the low bid. The low bid of \$3.25 would involve trucking costs from Pembroke, N.H.

15. 1 1/2 " Crushed Gravel:

Brox Industries, Inc. at \$6.75 per ton picked up at the plant which is the low bid and a .25 cent per ton increase from 2008.

16. 3/4" Crushed Gravel:

Brox Industries, Inc. at \$6.75 per ton picked up at the plant which is the low bid low bid and a .25 cent per ton increase.

17. 3/4 "Crushed Asphalt:

Brox Industries, Inc. at \$7.00 per ton picked up at the plant. This is not the low bid. The low bid would require us to truck it from Pembroke, N.H.

18. Catchbasin Frames & Grates:

NE Positioning Systems \$189.00 per set which is the low bid. This is a \$26.00 increase over 2008 prices.

19. Street Sweeper Rental:

Immaculate Power Sweeping, LLC is the low bidder at \$85.00 per hour. This is also the same hourly rate as 2008.

20. Loader Rental:

Richard Vinal Trucking Inc. at \$100.00 per hour which is the only bid on this item. This is the same hourly rate as in 2008.

21. Grader Rental:

Richard Vinal Trucking, Inc. at \$110.00 per hour is the only bidder on this item. This is the same hourly rate as in 2008.

22. Bulldozer Rental:

Richard Vinal Trucking, Inc. at \$80.00 per hour which is the only bid on this item. This is the same hourly rate as in 2008.

23. Ten Wheel Dump Truck Rental:

Immaculate Power Sweeping, LLC and Richard Vinal Trucking, Inc. at \$65.00 per hour. I will use one or the other if I need them.

24. Tree Removal:

Rich's Tree Service at \$200.00 per hour which is the only bid on this item. This is the same hourly rate as 2008.

25. Excavator with Demolition Hammar Rental:

Richard D., Vinal Trucking at \$187.50 per hour which is the only bid on this item and the same price as last year.

26. Roadside Mowing:

Glenn Kohl at \$75.00 per hour which is not the low bid. The low bidder does not have a side mounted mower machine. The third bidder at \$75.00 per hour or \$94.00 per mile does have a side mounted mower but it is not a boom mower which I prefer.

27. Traffic Line Painting:

Hi-Way Safety Inc. is the low bidder on this item.

28. Catchbasin Cleaning:

Leo Vigeant Co., Inc. is the low bidder at \$9.25 per basin which is the same price as 2008.

29. <u>Rubber Tired Excavator Rental:</u>

Richard Vinal Trucking is the low bidder on this item at \$115.00 per hour. This is the same price as 2008.

30. Catchbasin Blocks:

Greener Landscaping is the low bidder on these items. This is a decrease in price of between \$1.14 and \$1.36 per block from last year.